SENATE BILL 1851

By Black

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, relative to recycling used license plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55-4-103, is amended by adding the following language as new subsection (j):

(j) On or after January 1, 2008, every motor vehicle owner who replaces the registration plates on his or her motor vehicle shall deposit the old, outdated, or expired registration plates with the department of revenue or its agents in a manner determined by the commissioner. The department of revenue shall create a program that promotes the recycling of used or outdated license plates for the metal content. The commissioner may enter into contractual agreements with nonprofit organizations for the collection, disposal, and recycling of used, expired, or outdated license plates.

SECTION 2. The commissioner of revenue shall promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the provisions of this act. All such rules and regulations shall be promulgated in accordance with the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.